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1. A Plenary meeting of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Slovenia took place in Ljubljana on 23 February 1947. The principal subjects under 50X1-HUM discussion were:-

- Election of representatives to the Conference of the Executive Committee of the OF (Liberation Front).
- Internal situation in Slovenia.
- Five Year Plan.
- Internal Organization of the Communist Party.
- Foreign Affairs.

A. Conference of the Executive Committee of the OF.

2. The meeting determined the names of the representatives who were to take part in the Conference of the Executive Committee of the OF which was to take place on 24 February. Those chosen included Miha Marinko.

B. Internal situation in Slovenia.

3. Boris Kraigher, Minister of Internal Security in the Slovene Cabinet, submitted a report on the internal situation in Slovenia. He admitted that discontent among the civil population had increased over the last few weeks, and that he had consequently been obliged to tighten up security counter measures. This report was followed by a general discussion which resulted in the following resolutions:-

- It was not advisable, for the time being, to run the risk of increasing popular discontent by introducing yet stricter security measures.
- Party members on all local OF Committees (particularly rural OF Committees) would, as soon as possible, arrange to purge committees of recalcitrant and discontented members. Members

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of the OF Committees who were not completely in sympathy with the present regime would be forced to resign.

- c) The re-organization of village communities along co-operative (Kolkhoz) lines must be intensified. This necessitated the adoption of a firmer policy against the wealthier and more independent peasants and farmers.

C. Five Year Plan.

- 4. A general discussion on the progress of the five year plan followed. It was generally agreed that considerable difficulties were being experienced in implementing the plan. Principal among them were:-

- a) shortage of foreign exchange which was vital for the import of certain types of machinery and materials necessary for the reconstruction of industry and agriculture,
- b) shortage of technicians and skilled labor,
- c) the fact that many industries were being directed by individuals who lacked both the necessary technical qualifications and experience,
- d) that many people still thought in terms of capitalistic and not communist economy.

A special committee to study these questions was elected.

D. Internal organization of the Communist Party.

- 5. The Communist Party of Slovenia would suspend recruiting for the Party for the period of one month. In the meantime the present membership of the party would be subjected to security checks.

E. Foreign Affairs.

- 6. The only subject discussed was Yugoslavia's territorial demands on Austria. Miha Marinko reported that the prospects of satisfying these claims were small in view of the fact that they would be opposed

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